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REMARKS

The undersigned wishes to acknowledge the courteous treatment his representative received during an interview held with the Examiner on Feb. 7, 2008.

Claim 61 was rejected as being anticipated by Lapiolahti 4,750,856.

Claims 54, 56, 58 and 59 were rejected as being unpatentable over the above reference in view of Neasham 4,118,047.

Claim 60 was rejected as being unpatentable over the above references and further in view of Hahn 6,092,970 which was cited for the movable wheel chock.

Lapiolahti discloses a truck which has one car on the bed of the truck and a second car being towed with its front two wheels on a pair of yokes forming cradles for the wheels (Fig. 4) and are pivoted up once the wheels of the car being towed is in place (see Figs. 1-3).

Neasham has a vehicle towing trailer and was cited for the use of a hitch to connect the trailer to a vehicle for towing. It is the Examiner's position that it would be obvious to convert the truck bed of Lapiolahti to a trailer and attach a hitch. The problem is that the first vehicle carried by Lapiolahti is situated over the rear wheels of the vehicle with the second vehicle has two of its wheels supported at the rear of the bed. Combining the references as the Examiner suggests does not deal with the issue of the load on the hitch. In the present invention, the two vehicles are located on opposite sides of the axle carrying the wheels and the support for the two wheels of the second vehicle is movable along a longitudinal axis to balance out the load on the hitch by the first vehicle, as claimed. In other words, the mere substitution of a hitch in Lapiolahti to make the bed of the truck into a trailer still would not produce the claimed subject matter without the teachings of this invention.

It should be pointed out at this time there is nothing in the applied art which teaches or would suggest the balancing of two vehicles on a trailer as recited and claimed in the present invention. This balancing feature is described in par. 0028 (top of the second column) of Applicant's publication.

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Hahn has a wheel chock which is movable along a parking space. It's applicability to a trailer supporting wheels of a vehicle is not clear. There is no question that in every claimed invention ever made that one could find every element of such invention in the published art. After all, every invention can be broken down to known elements. The real issue is whether it would be obvious to combine those elements to obtain the claimed invention without the benefit of the inventor's own teachings.

The present invention is designed to tow a trailer by an RV for the purpose of bringing along an automobile and a recreational vehicle such as a golf cart, an ATV, a motorcycle and the like (see Fig. 9 of the application). None of the applied references relate to such a concept. All the claims, other than claim 55 which has been canceled, have been amended to particularize this aspect of the invention, providing added meaning to the other limitations in the claims. All of the claims now recite that the first vehicle is pointed sideways on the trailer, a feature not found or suggested anywhere in the applied art.

During the interview my representative pointed out how the claims proposed to be amended distinguish over the applied references. The Examiner agreed that the claims would distinguish over these references but that further search would be required.

It is believed that the claims in their present form clearly distinguish over the applied art and should be allowed.

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned if further changes are required to obtain allowance of the application.

A favorable action is solicited.

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